

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA**

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EFFECTIVENESS OF CONSUMER PROTECTION COUNCIL
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Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the working groups were constituted for study on enhancing the effectiveness of Central Consumer Protection Council (CCPC) for better consumer protection;
- (b) if so, the details of recommendations made by the said working groups;
- (c) the progress made in implementation of the said recommendations;
- (d) the other steps taken by the Government for improving the working of CCPC; and
- (e) the steps taken to formulate the National Consumer Policy?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI TASLIMUDDIN)

(a) : No Sir.

(b) & (c): Does not arise.

(d) : The Central Consumer Protection Council is an apex body, functioning at the Centre with the Union Minister for Consumer Affairs as its Chairman and Ministers of Consumer Affairs of States/UTs, representatives of concerned Ministries of Central Government, autonomous bodies, VCOs, Consumer Activists, representatives of women, farmer, trade, industry, etc. as its Members. It is fully capable of fulfilling its objective.

(e) : A Committee was constituted under the chairmanship of Principal Secretary, Consumer Affairs to the Government of Tamil Nadu, with Secretaries in charge of the Government of J&K, Tripura, Andhra Pradesh, Rajasthan and representatives from consumer organizations, as members, to prepare a draft "National Consumer Policy".